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In re application of:  
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For: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING OR DIAGNOSING CARCINOMA CELLS WITH METASTATIC POTENTIAL BASED ON THE MEASUREMENT OF LYMPHOID GENES OR THEIR PRODUCTS IN CARCINOMA CELLS

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### AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, lines 3, 4, and 5, delete "This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application serial no. 08/680,372, filed July 15, 1996, which is a divisional of U.S. patent application serial no. 08/118,969, filed September 9, 1993 (now U.S. patent 5,536,642)."